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Milk Production in Pennsylvania Down 0.2 Percent in February

HARRISBURG, PA, Mar 28, 2011 - - - Milk production in Pennsylvania during February 2011 totaled 820 million pounds, 0.2 percent below last February's production of 822 million pounds, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 543,000 head, no change from January 2011, but 2,000 more than February 2010.

Production per cow averaged 1,510 pounds in February, 130 pounds less than January's production per cow and 10 pounds less than February 2010's average of 1,520 pounds.

Milk production in the 23 states surveyed during February 2011 totaled 14.0 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from February 2010. January production, revised at 15.2 billion pounds, was up 2.5 percent from January 2010.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,666 pounds for February, 24 pounds above February 2010.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.40 million head, 81,000 head more than February 2010 and no change from January 2011.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		February 2010	January 2011	February 2011	February 2011	January 2011	February 2011
Milk Cows	Thous.	541	543	543	8,323	8,404	8,404
Milk Per Cow	Lbs.	1,520	1,640	1,510	1,642	1,810	1,666
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	822	891	820	13,670	15,213	14,001

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